

Adult Care Homes

Tucson Land Use Code Regulations

The Tucson Land Use Code divides the care for adults into two basic categories: Day Care - Adults and Residential Care Services - Adult Care Service.

Day Care is a use providing care, supervision, planned activities, and guidance on a regular basis for periods of fewer than twenty-four (24) hours for persons not related to the operator. This includes adult day care and child care.

An Adult Care Service is a residential care service which provides lodging, meals, treatment supervision, and other support services to elderly or physically disabled individuals who are unable to be cared for as part of a single household. Residents are not related to the owner/manager of the facility.

This use includes group homes and institutional living arrangements with twenty-four (24) hour care. Typical uses include adult care homes, adult care facilities, and supervisory care facilities.

Zoning districts within the City limits fall under five (5) main groupings:

- Residential (e.g. SR, RX-1, RX-2, R-1, R-2, R-3, MH-1 and MM-2)
- Office (e.g. O-1, O-2 and O-3)
- Commercial (e.g. C-1, C-2 and C-3)
- Mixed (e.g. OCR-1 and OCR-2)
- Industrial (e.g. P-1, I-1, and I-2)

Day Care for Adults and Adult Care Service for ten (10) persons or fewer are both allowed in the following zones:

- SR, RX-1, RX-2, R-1, R-2, R-3, MH-1, MH-2, O-2, O-3, C-1, C-2, C-3, OCR-1, and OCR-2.

Day Care for Adults for ten (10) persons or fewer is also allowed in:

- P-1, I-1 and I-2 zones.

Adult Care Service for ten (10) persons or fewer is also allowed in:

- O-1 zones.

The home care for adults and the elderly is a use of land permitted in most zones within the City of Tucson.

Frequently Asked Questions about Adult Care and Zoning

I want to open an adult care home for ten (10) persons or fewer in the City of Tucson. What is my first step?

Obtain the necessary "Certificate of Occupancy (C of O) permit" for an adult care home.

How do I do get a Certificate of Occupancy?

Contact the Development Services Department, 201 North Stone Avenue, at 791-5550. Ask for a Residential Plans Examiner. He/She will provide you with information relating to adult care C of O fees and inspection requirements.

I now have my adult care home C of O permit. What's next?

Stop by the State of Arizona Building at 400 W. Congress to pick up a zoning clearance form from the Department of Health Services Facilities Review Section. Then go to the Business License desk on the first floor of City Hall and request a business license application.

Both of these forms need to be approved by Zoning Administration and Compliance staff on the second floor at Development Ser-

vices Department. Staff will review your business license application and provide zoning clearance for the state, based on your Certificate of Occupancy (so don't forget to bring it with you).

Your approved business license application serves as your Zoning Compliance Certificate. Return to the Business license section and pay the appropriate fees to get the business license for your adult care home. To complete the process, return to the State Building, with your completed zoning clearance form, to obtain the appropriate state license.

Are there fees charged for a Zoning Compliance Certificate?

No, not at the present time.

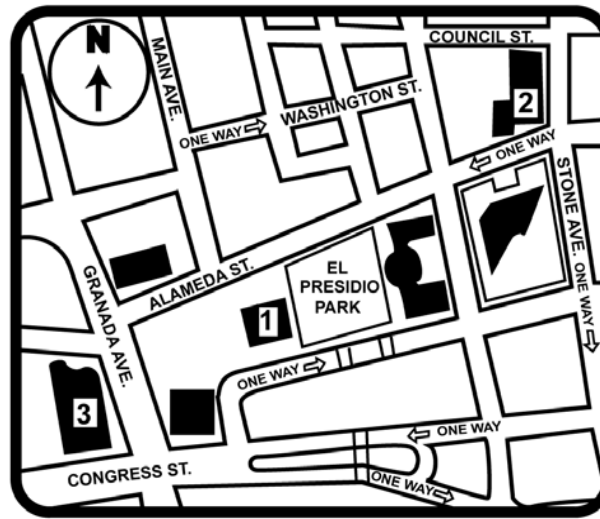
What if I want to care for more than ten (10) adults?

The zoning regulations applicable to adult care homes for more than ten (10) persons vary from zone to zone. Contact the Development Services Department, Zoning Administration and Compliance at 791-4541 for specific information.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS BROCHURE DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY COUNTY, STATE, OR FEDERAL REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO ADULT CARE HOMES OR FACILITIES.

Contact State and Federal agencies to inquire about their regulations regarding adult care homes.

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MAP	LOCATION	PROCESS
1.	Business License Section City Hall - 1st Floor 255 W. Alameda	City Business License
2.	Development Services Department - Zoning Administration & Compliance City of Tucson/Pima County Public Works Building 201 N. Stone Ave. - Second Floor (520)791-4541	Zoning Compliance Certificate
	Development Services Dept. City of Tucson/Pima County Public Works Building 201 N. Stone Ave. - 1st Floor (520)791-5550	Certificate of Occupancy
3.	State of Arizona Building 400 W. Congress	Zoning Clearance Form



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